

c481BC

Hellspont (Dardanelles)

40mi long ~~straight~~ strait connecting
Aegean Sea with Sea of Marmara,
Crossed by Persian Army
under Xerxes I who used
bridge of boats c481BC

334BC Alexander the Great Crossed

481-480BC

THIRD PERSIAN EXPEDITION

The Persians came again with desire
to avenge former defeat.

Battle of Thermopylae: Persians won

Battle of Artemisium (naval): Persians won
Athens was burned by Persians

Battle of Salamis (naval): Won by Greeks.

Persian leaders: Xerxes & ACHAEMENES

Greek leaders: Leonidas (sparta); Eurybates,
Themistocles; Aristides

After defeat at Salerno, X Corps with
part of his army retreated to Rome.

481 BC

XERXES made expedition into Greece.
Athens was destroyed.